

## Many June Brides Form the Centre of Interest for Social World

Unusual Number of Pretty Weddings, Both Town and Country, Keeps Society on the Alert—Race Meets at Piping Rock and Rockaway Hunting Club Well Attended

EVIDENTLY the weather man does not approve of society enjoying itself in the open, for he has seen fit to give out the most extraordinarily depressing and mixed days during the past week with few of them in the least adapted to any out of door entertaining. Decoration Day was the exception to the rule, not the real Decoration Day, but the 31st, and everybody knows perfectly well that Decoration Day can never be fashionable.

It can be enjoyable and interesting, but it can never be exclusive, for too many persons have to enjoy themselves, and it has become the custom not to give any smart entertainments on that date. Therefore it was especially trying to have such perfect weather for what might be thought a waste of twenty-four hours.

In order to avoid the crowds leaving town for the holiday there was little moving to the country houses until last Tuesday. Then there was quite an exodus and more houses are in summer trim than there were a week ago, while for this week end all houses near New York are filled with week end guests. Much is on the cards that is well worth while going to the country for.

Piping Rock has done its best to have a gay week, and it certainly has furnished varied attractions enough to interest the crowds that were invited or induced to come. The lot of the governors of the entertainment committee of the country clubs is by no means an easy one this year. They are expected to furnish so much that is original in order to bring together desirable people, and in order to secure something really original money must be spent and spent without stopping to think, for the competition is great and there are many clubs which have very much the same list of members, all desirable be it known.

Decoration Day is always the opening day of the Seawanhaka Yacht Club on Centre Island, and that part of Long Island this season is to be the abode of those who are able to pay. The prices paid for houses are somewhat beyond the bounds of reason from an outsider's point of view, but if landlord and tenant alike are satisfied, who should complain?

The addition of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt to the Oyster Bay colony does not mean that they will entertain extensively. To begin with, they are in deep mourning and the place they have taken on Centre Island was chosen even more for its proximity to the Yacht Club than for its social advantages. But there are many other houses in and near by the same vicinity that are occupied this summer by well known people and a large number of entertainments are scheduled, while at the clubhouse itself the weekly dances are well attended. Piping Rock is near by and, as has been said, the attractions there are many.

At the Rockaway Hunting Club there is an unending programme of interesting events in the way of polo practice, tennis and golf. It is a most friendly natured clubhouse, the members of which are renowned for their hospitality, and early in the season as it is, many prominent persons are to be seen there. To specify each and every country club near New York would take too much time and space, but the open tournament at the Baltusrol Golf Club at Short Hills, N. J., next week is bound to make that place a great gathering ground for golf enthusiasts from all over the country. The clubhouse is singularly well adapted for entertaining, and judging from the numbers who have manifested their intention of being present it will be a record tournament not only for the fine playing that is to be done by the entries but from the number of guests who are to be present.

Last week furnished forth an unusual amount of interest and pleasure for those who love weddings. Thursday, at its most entertaining, was in time to prevent the dreariness of weddings celebrated in the rain, but there was no question that the two brides who had elected to be married in the city rather than in the country were glad of the change, for the weather was so cold that the country was not at all enticing. These Thursday weddings had no especial features of interest so far as regards society, but they were charming and well conducted and a most desirable set of friends and relatives turned out to do honor to the wedding parties.

The other weddings of the week were also on conventional lines, with the exception of the country wedding of Miss Sara Delano to Roland Redmond, which was celebrated in the country and which was largely attended.

There are more June weddings on hand, for June is always the favorite month for brides, and July so eminently unfashionable for that sort of thing that every one who can tries to have the wedding celebrated in the month of roses. From a rose point of view, in these days when all roses are supposed to bloom all the time, the floral show does not have to be considered, but in spite of the wish to be original and unconventional there are certain old and dried ideas that have descended to the third and fourth generations, and one of them is that June brides are lucky. There are one or two measurements that are promulgated and they have to be followed, and it is of course all details are kept secret, as is the correct way of the moment.

Golf and tennis are attracting more attention than ever this year, and the country enthusiasts are having a hard time with the newcomers, who are so vitally excited over the game that they wish to usurp all the links and crowd out those individuals who have never lost interest in the game even when the weather is not so good.



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Miss Marie Louise Wanamaker and her fiancé, Gurnee Munn.

have slackened. Every day or two new golf clubs are talked of, in which the dues shall be prohibitive, excepting to the very rich, but the trouble is that in spite of the talk of hard times and economy there are few among the golf players who cannot well afford to pay exorbitant dues and would gladly do so if they could secure the right kind of greens and the society of a limited few of their fellow members.

Apparently there is almost as much opposition to women taking up golf en masse as there is to giving them the vote. And yet there are many women who play, and play well, and the number is increasing every day.

There was a shivering lot of mortals on Wednesday at the Piping Rock races and in place of flimsy costumes the women assembled displayed wraps and garments that one generally beholds at late autumn gatherings. Even the so-called summer furs looked as if they had been hurriedly rescued from the canyons of the north.

As a rule, the temperature at the time of the first race meet in June is such that outdoor luncheon parties are preferable, but such was not the case on Wednesday. Tables were hurriedly removed from the verandas and the lawn and were placed in the club assembly room, which is frequently used as an overflow room at times of important days, and the dining room was used as well. There was but one luncheon party that had the courage to stick to the veranda and that was composed of Tuxedo people, who were with Mrs. Richard Mortimer. There was also evidence that most of the country houses in the vicinity of Locust Valley had been opened, as many came for the races after luncheon with their friends of the Long Island contingent. No one seemed to be the worse for the day's outing and it was enjoyable even for those who cared more for the social than the sporting side. The races of yesterday brought to a close the early season of sports at Piping Rock, but there will be other meets early in October, which will follow the annual horse show.

Of chief interest to society this week will be the weddings which are to be celebrated in town and out. Miss Louise Bisschop and Oliver Carley Harrison will be married in St. Bartholomew's Church to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The wedding ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks, rector of the church, assisted by

and Dr. Henry James will have a quiet home wedding. On that day Miss Lisa Cochran Suydam will be married to Paul Renshaw, in the Church of the Heavenly Rest, in the presence of a large assemblage.

New York society will be represented on Thursday in Baltimore at the wedding of Irving Bowdoin Kingsford, a grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. George S. Bowdoin of New York, and Miss Eliza Lawrence Hoffman of Baltimore. The wedding, which is to be celebrated in Trinity Church, will be followed by a reception and breakfast at Kedgestone, the country home of the bride's parents, in Ruxton. A country wedding of Saturday will be that of Miss Mildred Poon and Dr. Alexander V. P. Garnett, which will take place at As You Like It, the country home of the bride's parents, in East Hampton, L. I.

Two June weddings which have not been counted on will have great interest in society here. Miss Kathryn Nevett Steele, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steele, will be married to F. Skiddy of St. John's Church of the Advent, Westbury, L. I., on June 26, at noon. It will not be a large wedding and there will be a limited reception and breakfast at Sunridge Hall, the country home of the bride's parents. The wedding of Miss Nancy Steele and Devereux Milburn took place in the same church, two days later, in Philadelphia. Miss Marie Louise Wanamaker, daughter of Rodman Wanamaker, will be married to Gurnee Munn in St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia. Both these engagements were recently announced and it was rather understood that the wedding would be celebrated in the autumn.

After next week there will be but small inducement to tarry in New York for weddings, and indeed the two most prominent ones of the week will take place out of town. Miss Mary L. Duke and Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, Jr., are to be married at Duke's Farm in Somerville, N. J., on June 16, and on the day following Miss Eleanor Taylor and Gouverneur Morris Carmichael, Jr., will have a country wedding in Middle Haddam, Conn. There will be special trains for both of these weddings for New York friends.

The wedding of Miss Louise Bisschop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Bisschop, to Oliver Carley Harrison, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harrison, will be celebrated in St. Bartholomew's Church to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The wedding ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks, rector of the church, assisted by

Justice and Mrs. Morgan J. O'Brien, who will be married to Dr. Henry James of this city at the home of her parents, 729 Park avenue, on Tuesday. Only relatives and a few intimate friends will witness the ceremony. Miss O'Brien will have her cousin, Miss Mercedes Crimmins, as her only attendant and Samuel W. James, brother of the bridegroom, will be the best man. There will be no ushers.

Many guests from this city and Short Hills, N. J., will go to Baltimore on Tuesday for the wedding of Miss Eliza Lawrence Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoffman, to Irving Bowdoin Kingsford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Parish Kingsford of New York and Short Hills, N. J. It will be celebrated in Trinity Episcopal Church.

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